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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JULY 5, 2006 AND RCE

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed 05 July 2006, Applicants request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks in connection with the above-identified patent application. A request for continued examination (RCE) is being submitted with paper. In addition, the fees required for a two-month extension of time (\$225) and for filing an RCE (\$395) is being electronically submitted with this paper.

The Claims and their current status are reflected beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8.